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CFC Loan Executive Merrily Smith presents Winner's Circle award to Gallaudet CFC Vice Chair La Varne Hines (center) and Gallaudet CFC Volunteer Coordinator Gloria Simms.

Gallaudet enters CFC winner's circle

Despite a slow start, the Gallaudet community rallied to exceed its \$36,000 goal for the 1993 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), netting a total of \$37,137 and putting the University in CFC's "Winner's Circle" for the first time in Gallaudet's long-standing involvement in the campaign.

The Winner's Circle Plaque and an award for Outstanding Payroll Deduction Giving were awarded to the University by CFC Loan Executive Merrily Smith at a Feb. 25 luncheon sponsored by Gallaudet's Office of Administrative and Community Services to recognize CFC volunteers.

Organizations that exceed their previous year's goal by at least 10 percent are eligible to enter the Winner's Circle. Gallaudet surpassed its

1992 goal by 11.1 percent. The payroll deduction award goes to organizations that attain at least 75 percent of their contributors making gifts through payroll deductions.

This year, Gallaudet had 21 Eagle Award recipients. This distinction goes to individuals who contribute one percent of their salary to the CFC.

Smith, who is a loan executive for 14 organizations in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, said that she enjoyed working with Gallaudet more than any other group, and noted that she was impressed with the enthusiasm and humor of the Gallaudet volunteers.

In his address to the luncheon audience, Gallaudet President I. King Jordan thanked the volunteers for their hard work and dedication in making this year's campaign an outstanding success.

Black history celebration ends with series of lectures

Black History Month celebrations at Gallaudet closed with two kinds of flurries: a flurry of last-minute presentations, and a snow flurry that closed the University on Feb. 26, canceling a fashion show and a party sponsored by the Black Deaf Student Union.

The last week of Black History Month opened with a Feb. 22 presentation by Laurene Gallimore, sponsored by Pre-College Programs, on the use of ASL in the classroom.

Gallimore incorporated anecdotes about African-American students into her presentation, including instances of confusion stemming from the use of signs unique to the black deaf community. She also said that some black people feel alienated by the term "bi-bi," and prefer to emphasize a "bilingual-multicultural" concept to acknowledge the broad diversity present at many schools, including African-, Hispanic-, and Asian-American, as well as deaf culture.

On Feb. 23, Dr. Frederick Philips, executive director of the Progressive

Life Center, Inc., a human services firm located in Washington, D.C., gave a presentation on "Getting it Together: African-American and Deaf."

Philips opened the presentation with an African ritual, inviting the audience to invoke the spirit-energy of ancestors and others who influence our lives on a daily basis. Names suggested by the audience included Malcolm X, Linwood Smith, and Martin Luther King, Jr. At each name, Philips poured water from a cup into a bowl.

Progressive Life has a strong history working with the black deaf community, Philips said, including education on HIV at Gallaudet, and involvement with Deafpride and Gallaudet for the past four years.

Most of Philips' presentation was spent explaining the Afro-centric approach to mental health healing used by the Progressive Life Center, which involves NTU, a Bantu concept that "loosely translates as the essence of life and signifies a universally unifying force which touches upon all

aspects of existence," Philips said.

On Feb. 25, Carolyn McCaskill Emerson, coordinator of Minority Achievement and Multicultural Programs for Pre-College Programs and co-coordinator for Black History Month, gave a presentation entitled "Black Deaf Americans: Who Are We?"

Black deaf Americans are doubly oppressed by white people and by hearing people, McCaskill Emerson said. As a result, the achievement levels of black deaf Americans lags behind that of the hearing black and the white deaf communities generally. For instance, Emerson said she knew personally of only four black deaf Americans who have Ph.D.s out of an estimated 22,000 black profoundly deaf people in the country. More black deaf Africans have Ph.D.s than do deaf African Americans, according to Emerson.

One form of oppression that can occur within the deaf community is the expectation that black deaf people

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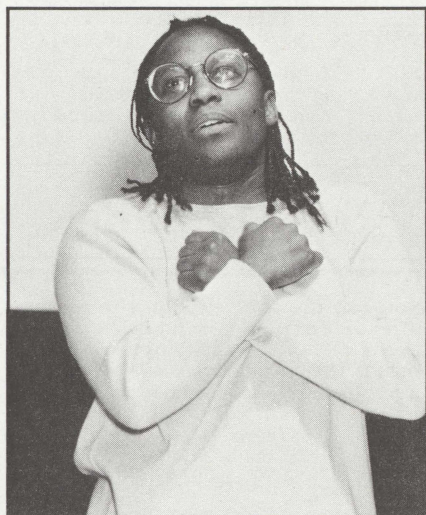
Kresge announces challenge grant

The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Mich., has announced a challenge grant for Gallaudet intended to stimulate the University's fund raising efforts for the Hall Memorial Building renovation.

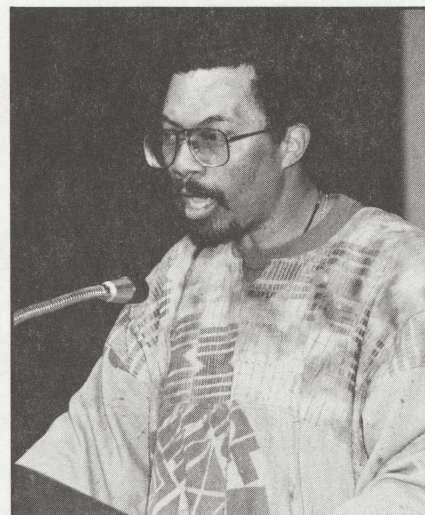
If the Gallaudet community raises \$1.6 million by July 1, 1994, Kresge will award the University \$750,000. However, if Gallaudet falls short of raising the specified amount, it will receive none of the grant money.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for the University to rally our efforts for HMB," said Dr. Margaret Hall, Gallaudet's vice president for Development.

More information about the Kresge Foundation's challenge grant and the University's plans to raise the required funds will be announced in future issues of *On the Green*.



Laurene Gallimore



Dr. Frederick Philips



Carolyn McCaskill Emerson

Bishop Jane Dixon visits University

The Right Reverend Jane Holmes Dixon, suffragan bishop for the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, told a Gallaudet audience March 1 that meeting the needs of our multi-dimensional society is a challenge for today's church just as it is for governments and institutions throughout the world.

Bishop Dixon, who was consecrated as bishop last fall, is only the second woman to be elevated to the office of bishop in the Episcopal Church in the United States and the third in the world. Her visit to

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ple identify more with the deaf community than with the black community, McCaskill Emerson said. White deaf people often ask her if she sees herself as deaf first or as black first. This question bothers her and other black people, she said. In response, McCaskill

Russian artist Nazarov dies

Alexander Nazarov, a renowned Russian deaf artist who served as artist in residence at Gallaudet for the 1991-92 academic year, died Jan. 14 of a heart attack. He was 56.

During his residency at Gallaudet, students honored him with the "Teacher of the Year" award.

Nazarov held art exhibits while on campus, and his work was well received by American art critics.

A memorial service is planned for April 7.

Dixon relates experiences as bishop

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Gallaudet was sponsored by the University's Department of Philosophy and Religion and the Women's Studies Task Force.

As suffragan bishop, Bishop Dixon is assistant to the Right Reverend Ronald Haines, bishop for the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, which includes 96 congregations in the District of Columbia and the Maryland counties of Montgomery, Prince George's, Prince Charles, and St. Mary's. Bishop Dixon's primary responsibilities include overseeing 14 mission congregations, including the Rev. Jay Croft's St. Barnabas' Mission of the Deaf, which has congregations in Chevy

Emerson shared a quotation from an unknown writer: "A black deaf person is neither a black person who is deaf nor a deaf person who is black, but someone with his/her own persona (identity), i.e. a black deaf person."

Emerson noted, however, that one study has indicated that 87 percent of black deaf students at Gallaudet and MSSD identify more with their blackness than with their deafness. These students tended to have experienced racial discrimination and to have grown up with a strong sense of black identity. The other 13 percent, who identified more with their deafness, tended to come from deaf families, had lived in predominantly white neighborhoods, and had attended predominantly white schools—thus gaining little exposure to black culture. When these students experience discrimination, they often think they are being oppressed because of their deafness, not because they are black, McCaskill Emerson said.

Chase and Glen Dale, Md., and the Episcopal chaplaincy at Gallaudet.

When Bishop Dixon served on a task force on Christian education, she mentioned to a fellow woman member that she thought her oldest son might become a priest. That woman, Dr. Verma Dozier, author of *The Dream of God*, told her, "If you want to be a priest, you be one. But you leave that boy alone." Dixon said her son, who is studying law, is grateful to Dozier for giving her that advice.

Bishop Dixon answered many questions from the group regarding her role in the church, barriers she faced, and acceptance and ordination of gay men and women. She said she supports Bishop Haines totally in ordaining lesbian women and that, above all, both heterosexual and homosexual people should be monogamous. She also told the group that she and Gallaudet President I. King Jordan talked earlier that day about the responsibility they feel—as one of the first three women and the first deaf person in their respective positions—both to succeed and to be good role models.

The Rev. Croft gave a brief introduction to the Episcopal Church prior to Bishop Dixon's talk. Mary Ann Berg, widow of the late Rev. Otto Berg, presented Bishop Dixon with Berg's books *The Life of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet* and *A Missionary Chronicle: Being a History of the Ministry to the Deaf in the Episcopal Church (1850-1980)*.



Episcopal Bishop Jane Holmes Dixon



Kappa Delta Pi Chapter Counselor Dr. David Martin welcomes a student into the society at the 10th Annual Ceremony of Induction Feb. 16. Also pictured are Chapter President Marybeth Hunter and interpreter Jeff Hardison. (Photo by Renee Geary)

Kappa Delta Pi inducts 71 students

The Gallaudet Chapter of the Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society in Education welcomed 71 honor students from the fields of teacher education, school psychology, counseling, educational technology, and administration at its 10th Annual Ceremony of Induction Feb. 16 in Chapel Hall.

Students are invited for membership in the honor society based on outstanding academic achievement in their professional preparation programs in the field of education.

It was also announced at the ceremony that the University has been chosen as the site of the Eastern Regional Conference of Kappa Delta Pi, scheduled to take place on Oct. 16. According to Dr. David Martin, dean of the School of Education and Human Services and counselor for the Gallaudet Chapter, Gallaudet holds the dis-

tingtion of having one of the most active chapters of the society in the mid-Atlantic region.

The key presenter at the ceremony, Dr. Madan Vasishtha, superintendent of the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf in Wilson, alerted the audience to the dangerous tendency of many school systems to value athletic achievement over scholarly pursuits, which undermines academic excellence.

Vasishtha, an alumnus of Gallaudet at the undergraduate and graduate levels, also recounted some of his personal experiences entering the field of professional education as a deaf man in his native India and in the United States.

For more information about Kappa Delta Pi and its many activities, call Gallaudet Chapter President Marybeth Hunter ('92), x5520.

Wellness Fair set

The University Center will host its annual Wellness Fair on March 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Ely Center Multipurpose Room. Cholesterol level testing is available for \$8.50, payable by check at the booth. Fasting is not required for this test. For more information, contact MOHYNES.



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WANTED: Nonsmoking female to share townhouse in Laurel, Md., furn. BR, cable TV, no pets, own trans., \$250/mo. plus ¼ util. Call Bonnie, x5226 or (301) 725-2271 (TTY).

WANTED: ASL tutor for hearing adult, prefer native signer but all encouraged to apply, 1-2 hrs./wk., Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m., at Kendall Green, Alexandria, near Metro, fee nego. Call Gaylen Pugh, National Association of State Directors of Special Education, (703) 519-7008 (TTY) or (703) 519-3800 (V).

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